## **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

- (Currently Amended) A method for controlling coniferous plants, wherein comprising
   applying an effective amount of at least one herbicide B selected from the group consisting of sulfentrazone, carfentrazone and its agriculturally acceptable salts, esters, thioesters and amides is applied to coniferous plants to be controlled and/or to the parts of these plants.
- 2-3. (Canceled).
- 4. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 3 1, wherein
  - a) at least one herbicide A, which is selected from an imidazolinone herbicide herbicides, and
  - b) at least one further herbicide B, which is selected from the group consisting of sulfentrazone, carfentrazone, its agriculturally acceptable salts, esters, thioesters and amides,
  - is <u>also</u> applied <u>in an effective amount</u> to the coniferous plants to be controlled or to their parts.
- 5. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 4, wherein herbicide A is selected from imazapyr, its agriculturally acceptable salts, esters, thioesters and amides.

6. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 4, wherein herbicide B is selected from carfentrazone, its agriculturally acceptable salts, esters, thioesters and amides.

## 7-13. (Canceled).

- 14. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the effective amount of herbicide B is applied during site preparation for a plantation of coniferous trees.
- 15. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 2 4, wherein the herbicide A and the herbicide B are applied in a weight ratio A:B ranging from 1:5 to 200:1.
- 16. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 2 4, wherein the herbicide A is applied in amounts from 100 to 1400 g/ha.
- 17. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the herbicide B is applied in amounts from 10 to 500 g/ha.
- 18. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the effective amount of herbicide B is applied after emergence of the coniferous plants to be controlled.
- 19. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the coniferous plants to be controlled belong to the pinaceae family.
- 20. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 19, wherein the coniferous plants to be controlled are selected from the pine species consisting of P. banksiana, P. clausa, P. echinata, P. elliotti, P. contorta, P. palustris, P. glabra,

P. lambertina, P. ponderosa, P. pungens, P. rigida, P. resinosa, P. serotina, P. strobus, P. taeda and P. virginiana.

## 21-33. (Canceled).

- 34. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 2 4, wherein the effective amounts of herbicide B and herbicide A are applied during site preparation for a plantation of coniferous trees.
- 35. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 2 4, wherein the effective amounts of herbicide B and herbicide A are applied after emergence of the coniferous plants to be controlled.
- 36. (New) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein at least one herbicide A selected from the group consisting of glyphosate, agriculturally acceptable salts, esters, thioester, and amides thereof; is also applied in an effective amount to the coniferous plants to be controlled or to their parts.
- 37. (New) The method of claim 36, wherein the effective amounts of herbicide B and herbicide A are applied during site preparation for a plantation of coniferous trees.
- 38. (New) The method of claim 36, wherein the effective amounts of herbicide B and herbicide A are applied after emergence of the coniferous plants to be controlled.